

REMARKS

The previously filed amendment are incorporated herein in their entirety. In the outstanding Communication, it is alleged that Applicants failed to provide a complete list of all of the claims. Applicants have reviewed all the previous amendment and not ethe following error on tier part which may have precipitate d the instant communication.. Specifically, in the responsive amendment filed November 12, 2003 Applicants replaced claim 17 with new claim 20. Upon reviewing the claims as filed, it became apparent to the undersigned that Applicants erred in the numbering of the claims. Specifically, Applicants' "inadvertently" replaced old claim 17 with new claim 20 when in fact new claim 20 should have been presented as new claim 19. In compliance with the Examiners requirement, Applicants respectfully request that claim 20, which was previously canceled be re-numbered as claim 19

Consequently, the previous amendment filed April 28, 2004 is re-presented herein with all claims and wherein claim 20 is renumbered as claim 19. This feature is detailed in the section marked Amendments to the Claims, that begins on page 2 of this response. Thus, Applicants by way of this amendment have cancelled claims 4, 7-13, 17, 18 and 19, in conformance with the Examiner's requirements. Applicants maintain that, as required, all claims (1-19) have been presented.

No new matter is submitted.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that the claims are in proper condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that all of the rejections be withdrawn and a Notice of Allowance be forwarded to the Applicants.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Attorney at the telephone number given below, if such would expedite the allowance of this application.

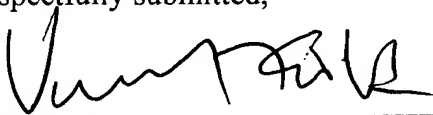
Favorable action is earnestly solicited.

CONDITIONAL PETITION

Applicant hereby makes a Conditional Petition for any relief available to correct any defect in connection with this filing, or any defect remaining in this application after this filing. The Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account 13-2755 for the petition fee and any other fee(s) required to affect this Conditional Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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